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Mr. Gary Baumgarten, EPA Project Coordinator  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Superfund Division (6SF-RA)  
1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200  
Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

Re: San Jacinto River Waste Pits Superfund Site  
Monthly Progress Report No. 2 – through June 2018  
EPA Region 6, CERCLA Docket No. 06-02-18 for Remedial Design

Dear Mr. Baumgarten:

This Monthly Progress Report No. 2 summarizes remedial design (RD) activities performed through June 2018 pertaining to the San Jacinto River Waste Pits Superfund Site in Harris County, Texas. This progress report was prepared consistent with the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for RD (AOC), EPA Docket No. 06-02-18, effective April 11, 2018. The AOC directs International Paper Company (IPC) and McGinnes Industrial Maintenance Corporation (MIMC; collectively referred to as the Respondents), to undertake a RD for the remedy under EPA oversight.

Consistent with the requirements of the AOC, this progress report was prepared on behalf of the Respondents and is organized into the following eight subject areas:

- 1) Actions taken during previous period;
- 2) Summary of sampling or testing results;
- 3) AOC deliverables Respondents submitted to EPA;
- 4) Activities scheduled for the next month;
- 5) Percentage of RD completion and potential schedule concerns;
- 6) Modifications to approved work plans or schedules;
- 7) Community Involvement Plan activities; and
- 8) Technical workgroup (TWG) activities.

### ***ACTIONS TAKEN DURING PREVIOUS PERIOD***

- Consistent with the requirements of the AOC, Respondents submitted the draft First Phase Pre-Design Investigation (PDI) Work Plan (WP) to EPA on June 8, 2018;
- Integrated TWG meetings (i.e., Verification of Achievement of Engineering Performance Standards TWG; Engineering Approaches, Best Management Practices, and Contingency Measures TWG; and Access TWG), along with a site visit, were held in Baytown, Texas on June 13, 2018; and
- Respondents continued preparation of the draft Remedial Design Work Plan.

### ***SUMMARY OF SAMPLING AND TESTING RESULTS***

- No sampling occurred during this period, so there are no data or test results for the Respondents to report.

### ***AOC DELIVERABLES RESPONDENTS SUBMITTED TO EPA***

- Consistent with the requirements of the AOC, Respondents submitted the draft First Phase PDI WP to EPA on June 8, 2018.

### ***ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR THE NEXT MONTH***

- Respondents will continue to prepare the draft Remedial Design Work Plan; and
- Respondents will review and address EPA comments on the draft First Phase PDI Work Plan when comments are received.

### ***PERCENTAGE OF RD COMPLETION AND POTENTIAL SCHEDULE CONCERNS***

- Overall, the RD is approximately 5 to 10 percent complete based on Respondents' projected work to complete the RD; and
- No schedule concerns have been identified by the Respondents at this time.

### ***MODIFICATIONS TO APPROVED WORK PLANS OR SCHEDULES***

- No modifications to approved work plans or schedules have been identified by the Respondents at this time.
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### **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PLAN ACTIVITIES**

- No community involvement activities have been identified by the Respondents at this time.

### **TECHNICAL WORKGROUP (TWG) ACTIVITIES**

- On June 29, 2018, EPA provided a letter discussing surface water quality standards to be used in developing the draft Remedial Design Work Plan, following earlier discussions of the Verification of Achievement of Engineering Performance Standards TWG.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at (206) 300-1543 or email me at [cpatmont@anchorqea.com](mailto:cpatmont@anchorqea.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Clay Patmont", with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Clay Patmont, Respondents Project Coordinator

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